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Hisae  
Iwaoka





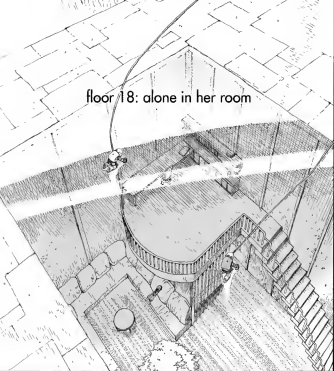
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HISAE IWADOKA

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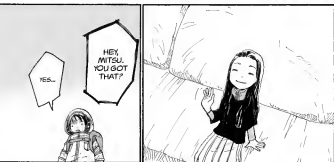


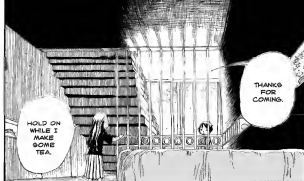


















I WAITED AT  
THE HOSPITAL  
AGAIN TO  
COLLECT  
MY MONEY...

...THEN HE  
SAID "I'M  
GLAD I  
COULD  
SEE YOU  
AGAIN."

...BUT I WAS  
EXHAUSTED  
THEN...

...AND  
HE LEFT  
BEFORE  
I COULD  
MAKE HIM  
PAY.

BEFORE  
I KNEW IT,  
WE WERE  
HOLDING  
HANDS...

I INVITED  
HIM TO  
COME WITH  
ME, AND  
HE DID.



...AND I  
ENDED  
UP LIVING  
HERE.



WE MET  
UP A  
COUPLE  
TIMES AND  
THEN I  
SLEPT  
WITH HIM...

...BUT I  
COULDN'T  
MAKE HIM  
PAY EVEN  
ONCE...



NOT  
YET!



CONGRATU-  
LATIONS.

TWICE



I HAVEN'T  
HEARD  
FROM HIM  
AT ALL, BUT  
I'VE GOT  
MONEY AT  
LEAST...

...SO I  
CAN STAY  
HERE.



HIS  
PARENTS  
WERE  
AGAINST  
US  
GETTING  
MARRIED.

MAYBE  
THEY  
TOOK  
HIM  
AWAY.



IT'S BEEN  
SIX MONTHS  
SINCE WE  
MARRIED,  
AND HE  
HASN'T  
COME  
HOME.



IF YOU  
CAN'T,  
LET'S AT  
LEAST  
HOLD  
HANDS  
WHEN WE  
SLEEP.

LET'S  
HOLD  
HANDS.

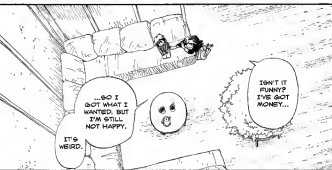


STAY  
HERE  
AND LIVE  
WITH ME.



WHEN WILL  
I BE ABLE  
TO SAY  
"CONGRATU-  
LATIONS"?

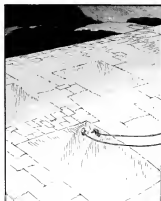
HEY,  
MITSU.



...SO I  
GOT WHAT I  
WANTED, BUT  
I'M STILL  
NOT HAPPY.

IT'S  
WEIRD.

ISN'T IT  
FUNNY?  
I'VE GOT  
MONEY...









THEN I'LL  
MAKE UP MY  
MIND ABOUT  
WHAT I'LL  
DO, TOO.



WE'LL  
FINISH  
CLEANING  
YOUR  
WINDOWS  
TOMORROW.

OH,  
REALLY.



...THANKS.



IF WE GET  
TO CLEAN  
A WINDOW  
NEARBY,  
I'LL SAY  
HELLO.

IT'LL BE  
JUST FOR  
A MOMENT,  
SO LOOK  
FOR ME.



I'LL LET  
THE WINDOW  
WASHER  
PUSH ME  
TO ACT.

WHAT  
ARE  
YOU  
TALKING  
ABOUT?

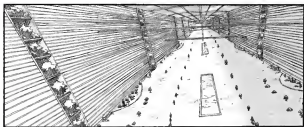


SAKU,  
ARE THOSE  
REQUESTS  
FOR WINDOW  
CLEANING?

YEAH,  
YEAH.

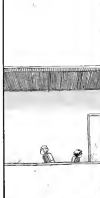


I'M  
BACK.













floor 19: symbols









I STILL  
SMELL  
EVEN  
AFTER  
A BATH.



KAYO'S  
STILL AT  
WORK.



THESE  
DAYS,  
I'M  
HOME  
EARLIER  
THAN  
SHE IS.



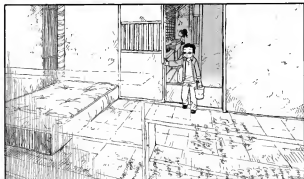
WHY AM I  
WORKING  
AT THE  
POWER  
PLANT?















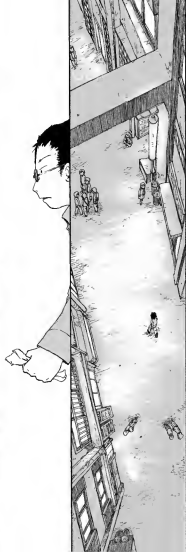


















IT WAS  
BEAUTIFUL,  
BUT IT  
SEEMED  
VERY  
DISTANT.



...ON OUR  
WEDDING  
DAY. IT  
WAS MY  
WIFE'S  
IDEA.

ONCE, I  
SAW THE  
EARTH  
FROM OUR  
WINDOW...



...I AM  
INTERESTED  
IN THE  
DESCENT  
PROCESS.

HOW-  
EVER...



IS  
THAT  
SO?



SO I'M  
NOT VERY  
INTERESTED  
IN THE  
EARTH'S  
SURFACE  
ITSELF.

I FELT  
LIKE  
I WAS  
LOOKING  
AT A  
PICTURE.



WHAT SORT OF  
VEHICLE DESIGN  
WOULD ALLOW A  
HUMAN TO MAKE IT  
TO THE SURFACE  
ALIVE? WHAT KIND  
OF MATERIALS  
WOULD BE  
NEEDED?

THAT'S  
WHAT I'M  
INTERESTED  
IN.

EVEN IF  
A VEHICLE WERE  
TO SIMPLY  
DESCEND, IT  
WOULD STILL BE  
LIKE DROPPING  
AN EGG FROM A  
HIGH BUILDING.











...



I THINK  
SO.

ARE YOU  
GONNA  
BE HOME  
LATE?



I GET  
SLEEPY  
IF I'M  
FULL.

WHAT  
THE  
HECK.



I WANT  
TO DO  
SOME  
READING.

IF I  
EAT ANY  
MORE,  
I'LL  
GET  
TIRED.



WHAT?  
THERE'S  
STILL  
PLENTY  
LEFT!

I'M  
DONE.

TIK









DID  
SOMETHING  
HAPPEN  
HERE?

NO.



WHAT'RE  
YOU  
LOOKING  
AT?



DID  
SOMEONE  
GET  
KILLED?

YOU CAN  
PASS BY  
IF YOU  
WANT.

NO  
THANKS.



IS YOUR  
FRIEND'S  
PLACE  
THERE?

...YEAH. UH...



I WONDER  
IF  
SOMETHING  
HAPPENED  
TO MR.  
NISHIMARU.

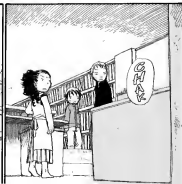
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SORRY,  
TAMACHEL.

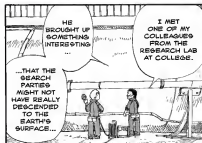


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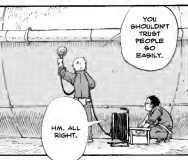
DON'T GO  
SPREADING  
RUMORS!













BY THE  
WAY,  
TAMACHI...



IF MR.  
NISHIMARU'S  
GONE, I DON'T  
HAVE A PLACE  
WHERE I CAN  
CONTINUE THE  
RESEARCH.

BUT  
MAYBE  
IT'S  
ALREADY  
OVER.

AH!



REALLY  
MAD?

YEAH.

...  
YEAH.

...WAS  
KAYO  
MAD THE  
OTHER  
DAY?



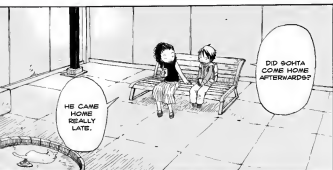
OH,  
MITSU.

OH,  
YOU'RE  
CLOSING  
UP  
ALREADY?



SEE YOU  
TOMORROW  
!

GOOD  
NIGHT.









WHEN I LEFT THE RESEARCH LAB...



WELL, A LOT HAPPENED.

MR. NISHIMURA, WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR ROOM?



WAITING? YOU WERE OUTSIDE ALL THIS TIME?

IT WAS A LONG WAIT.



...I TOOK SOME CHEMICALS WITH ME...



THE LOWER LEVELS ARE ESPECIALLY VULNERABLE TO FIRE.

GUNPOWDER IS NOT GOOD.



I HAD A LOT OF GUNPOWDER TOO, SO THEY TOOK THAT AWAY AFTER THE INVESTIGATION.

Oh, no!

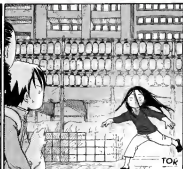


IT WASN'T MUCH, BUT THEY FOUND OUT ABOUT IT.











THEY  
SEEM  
TO BE  
HAVING  
A FIGHT.

SOHTA'S  
HIS NAME?  
HE'S NOT  
HOME.  
SHOULD WE  
BE HERE?

WELCOME.

KAYO WAS  
ANGRY HE  
WOULDN'T EAT  
HER FOOD.



HELP  
ME  
CARRY  
IT.

FOOD'S  
READY!



EGGS  
...

HUH?

MITSU,  
IF YOU  
DON'T  
EAT, I'LL  
END UP  
EATING  
IT ALL.

...

YOUR  
COOKING  
REALLY  
IS  
GREAT.

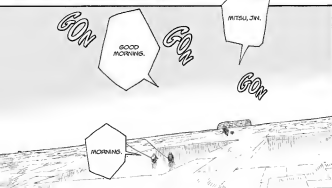
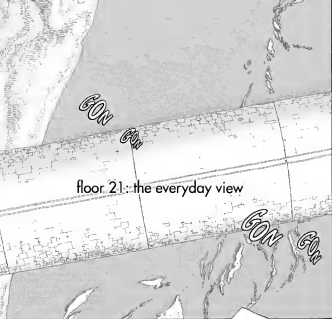
THANK  
YOU...

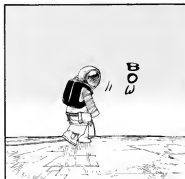
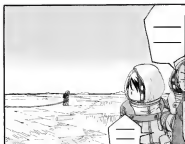
THIS IS THE  
BIGGEST  
PLATTER  
WE'VE GOT.

A  
SUPER-  
SIZED  
SERVING.









LAST NIGHT,  
A SMALL  
OBJECT  
HIT THE  
EXTERIOR.

IS  
THAT  
SO?

I'VE  
ALREADY  
CHECKED  
THIS  
AREA.



CLEANED  
THE WRONG  
WINDOW...  
THAT'S NOT  
POSSIBLE.

...

YOU GUYS  
KNOW  
THAT YOU  
CLEANED  
THE WRONG  
WINDOW?

YUP.

YES, WE  
WERE.

HUH?

IT WAS  
SUCH A  
NICE  
MORNING,  
AND WE  
WASTED IT?

WELL...

WHAT DO WE  
DO IF WE  
DID MAKE A  
MISTAKE?

...WE  
JUST  
WASTED  
A DAY.

YES.

IT WAS  
P-87,  
RIGHT?

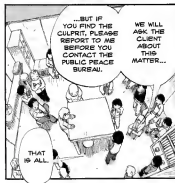
O-HO,  
JIN'S  
GETTING  
NERVOUS.

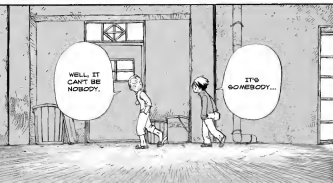
BUT I  
NOTICED  
THAT A  
PLACE WE  
WEREN'T  
SUPPOSED  
TO WASH  
HAD BEEN  
CLEANED.

WELL, IT  
MIGHT'VE BEEN  
MY MISTAKE...  
I HAVEN'T  
BEEN KEEPING  
TRACK OF  
EVERYTHING.











...BUT I THINK HE WAS WORKING AT NIGHT.

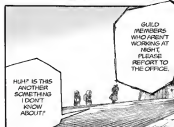
DID HE DO SOMETHING WRONG?



I DIDN'T GET A GOOD LOOK AT HIS FACE...



AH, THERE WAS SOMEONE WALKING ALONE.



GUILD MEMBERS WHO AREN'T WORKING AT NIGHT, PLEASE REPORT TO THE OFFICE.

HUH? IS THIS ANOTHER SOMETHING I DON'T KNOW ABOUT?



WE DON'T KNOW YET.



WE FOUND OUT THE GUILD MEMBER'S NAME...

...AND...

HE CHARGES THE SAME FEE, BUT THE CLIENT USED HIM BECAUSE HE WAS QUICK TO RESPOND.



THE CLIENT HASN'T PAID FOR P-10% YET, BUT THE WINDOW WASHER SEEMS TO HAVE OTHER CLIENTS...

...AND HAS ACCEPTED JOBS ON HIS OWN MANY TIMES.







MITSU,  
THIS IS  
F-105.  
LOOK.



HYMM



YOU  
CLEAN  
IT A  
LITTLE.

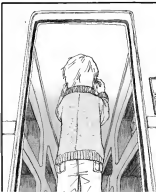


YES,  
SIR.

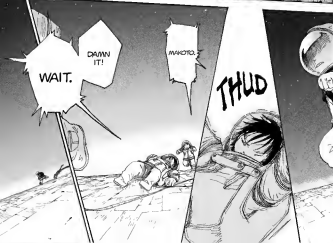
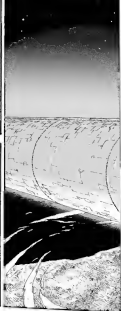


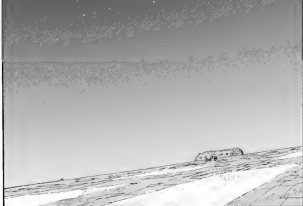
CAN  
YOU  
TELL?

YES.









WHY  
ARE  
YOU  
HERE  
TODAY?



AND  
EVEN JIN  
IS HERE.

YOU  
DON'T  
WANT  
ME  
HERE?



NO, WE  
DON'T  
DO MUCH  
NIGHT  
WORK.

YOU  
DON'T  
USUALLY  
WORK AT  
THIS TIME.



WE'RE  
WAITING FOR  
THE WINDOW  
WASHER.  
RIGHT,  
MITSU?

YES.



...THAT OUR  
GUILD  
MEMBERS  
DON'T WASH  
WINDOWS  
THIS WAY.

THE WASHING  
IS DONE  
DIFFERENTLY.



WHEN WE  
CAME HERE  
DURING THE  
DRY, WE  
NOTICED...



YOU CAN'T  
CORRECT  
YOUR VISION  
WHEN  
WEARING  
THIS HELMET.

YOU CAN'T BE  
IN THE GUILD  
WITH POOR  
EYESIGHT.



SO WE  
THOUGHT IT  
WAS SOMEONE  
FROM A  
DIFFERENT  
GUILD.

I SAW SOMEONE  
I HADN'T SEEN  
BEFORE IN AN  
AREA THAT ONLY  
WINDOW  
WASHERS GO  
THROUGH. HE  
WAS WEARING  
GLASSES.

YES.



I HAVE TO MAKE  
AS MUCH  
MONEY AS  
POSSIBLE  
BEFORE I  
RETIRE. I'VE  
GOT A FAMILY  
TO FEED.

SO I WAS  
LOOKING  
FOR JOBS  
I COULD  
TAKE ON  
MYSELF...



WE MET  
EARLIER  
TODAY.  
WE SPOKE.

AH,  
YOU'RE  
HERE.



YOUR WILL OR  
YOUR AGE  
HAS NOTHING  
TO DO WITH  
FORCED  
RETIREMENT  
THEN.

WE HAVE  
TO RETIRE  
WHEN OUR  
EYESIGHT  
FAILS.



I THOUGHT I  
COULD JUST  
RUN AWAY IF  
I WORKED IN  
ZONE 3,  
WHERE YOU  
WORK.

IF I DID THIS  
IN THE SAME  
AREA WHERE  
MY GUILD  
WORKS, I'D BE  
FOUND OUT.



THE CLIENT  
HAD  
REQUESTED  
TAMACHI  
BEFORE...

...AND WAS  
VERY HAPPY  
TO GIVE ME  
WORK.

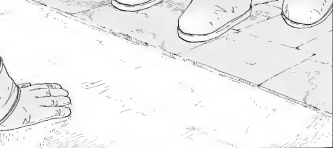


I KNEW THE  
NAME "TAMACHI"  
FROM THE  
ACCIDENT. I'D  
ALSO HEARD  
THAT HE'D GUIT.

IT WAS  
CONVENIENT  
USING THE  
NAME OF  
SOMEONE  
WHO WASN'T  
HERE  
ANYMORE.



I RECEIVED THIS  
REQUEST  
THANKS TO MY  
CLIENT'S  
CONNECTIONS.





There  
will  
come  
a  
time...

...when we  
can't see  
this view  
anymore.

THIS IS THE  
VIEW YOU  
ALWAYS SAW.

HEY YOU,  
PHONY  
TUNAGIE.

REMEMBER  
IT.

Even  
if our  
eyesight  
is still  
good.

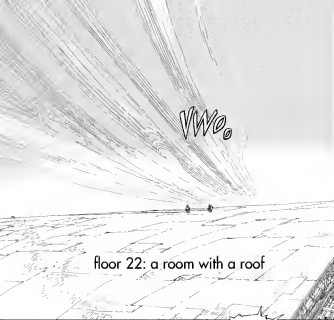
I...

...STILL  
WANT  
TO BE  
HERE.

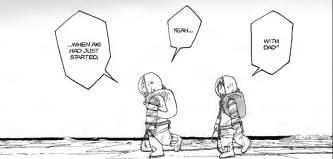


















DESPERATE  
TO SEE  
THE  
FLOWER  
BLOOM...

A FLOWER IS  
VALUABLE,  
SO PERHAPS  
IT WAS  
STOLEN.

...THE MAN  
HEADED TO  
THE  
MIDDLE  
LEVELS.  
THERE  
HE SAW...

HE WAS  
POSSESSED  
BY THE  
STRANGE  
CHARM OF  
THAT FLOWER.

THE MAN  
SEARCHED  
HIGH AND  
LOW,

...A FLOWER  
WITH A HUMAN  
FACE, SLOWLY  
CREEPING  
BACK TO ITS  
HOME.

A LOT OF  
WINDOW  
WASHERS  
USED TO  
TALK  
ABOUT IT.

HEY, I  
HEARD A  
STRANGE  
STORY  
TOO.

**SILENCE**

HEY!  
WHAT'S  
WITH THE  
VISUALS  
AT THE  
END  
THERE?!

THIS  
STORY  
SUCKS.  
IT'S  
BORING!

SCARY,  
ISN'T  
IT?

JIN, WHY DO  
PEOPLE LIKE  
THOSE  
MADE-UP  
STORIES?

EH?  
THEY'RE  
FUN TO  
LISTEN TO



GAAAH!

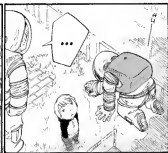
W  
W  
A

MITSU,  
THERE'S  
SOMETHING  
BEHIND  
YOU...



I'M  
BORED!

I WANNA  
GO  
OUTSIDE  
TOO!

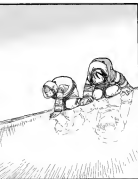


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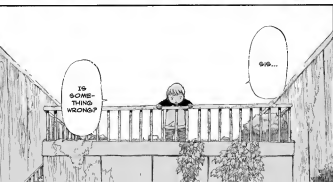


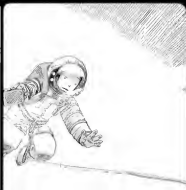














...SO I  
HAVE TO  
LEAVE.

I'M GOING  
TO GET  
MARRIED...

NAGI.

I'll...

How...

...go out  
there  
someday.



SO WE'RE  
SELLING  
THIS  
PLACE.



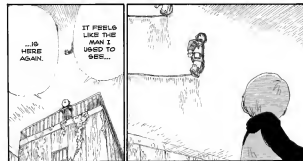
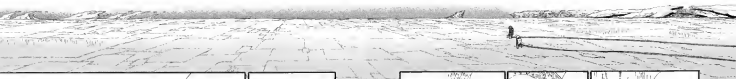
...BUT IT'S  
ALREADY  
BEEN 17  
YEARS SINCE  
YOU DIED.

I WANTED  
TO BE  
WITH YOU  
FOREVER...

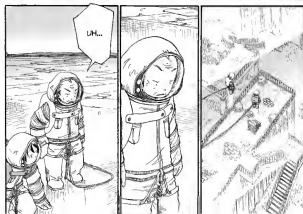


...SO YOU  
CAN SEE  
THE SKY  
YOU ALWAYS  
LOVED.

WE HAD THE  
WINDOWS  
CLEANED  
FOR THE  
LAST TIME...



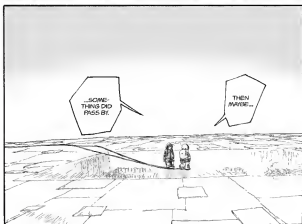




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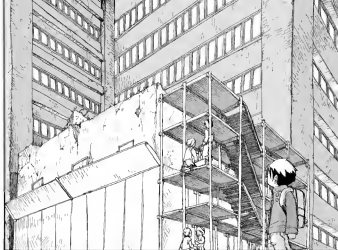
THERE WAS  
A RUMOR  
AMONG THE  
WINDOW  
WASHERS...

...THAT  
THERE'S  
THE GHOST  
OF A KID  
BEHIND ONE  
OF THESE  
WINDOWS.



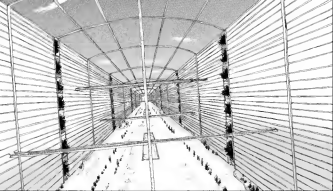


floor 23: cleaner











MAYBE I'LL  
ASK YOU TO  
CLEAN MY  
WINDOWS  
TOO. IT'S  
BEEN A  
WHILE

...

THEY'LL  
PROBABLY  
MAKE  
IMPOSSIBLE  
DEMANDS.

JUST  
LIKE  
YOU  
DID...

A CLIENT  
WANTS  
TO TALK  
TO ME.

WHAT ARE  
YOU DOING  
HERE?

O-HO.

...GOOD.

SURE,  
ANYTIME.

HE'S  
GROWING  
INTO  
QUITE A  
HAND-  
SOME  
FELLOW.

~OOO~

WE CAN  
BREED  
AQUACUL-  
TURE  
TOGETHER.

COME SEE  
ME WHEN  
YOU'RE  
TIRED OF  
CLEANING  
WINDOWS.

WHAT  
P!



THEN  
WE'LL PUT  
FILTERS  
ON THEM.

IF THEY'RE  
TOO CLEAN,  
IT'S TOO  
BRIGHT, SO  
DON'T CLEAN  
THEM TOO  
MUCH.

HMM...

DO YOU  
HAVE ANY  
FEEDBACK  
ABOUT THE  
WINDOW  
CLEANING?

OH, DON'T  
YOU WANT  
THE  
MONEY?

IS  
THAT  
IT?

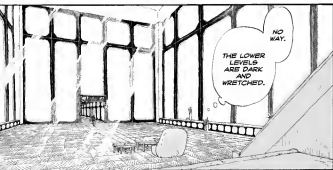
...AND  
WE'RE NOT  
AUTHORIZED  
TO TAKE  
MONEY.

I CAME  
HERE AS  
A WINDOW  
WASHER...

I CAN'T  
ACCEPT  
YOUR  
OFFER.

UPPER LEVEL  
RESIDENTS  
CAN COME  
DOWN TO THE  
LOWER  
LEVELS.

WHY  
DON'T YOU  
INSPECT  
YOURSELF  
IF YOU'RE  
WORRIED?





YEAH.

HEY, MITSU.  
HE'S **REALLY**  
STARING  
AT US.



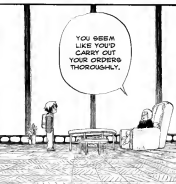
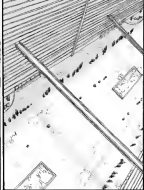
IS HE  
REALLY  
BEING  
HEAD-  
HUNTED?



YES.

HEAD-  
QUARTERS,  
HERE.  
MITSU, CAN  
YOU GO SEE  
THE CLIENT  
AFTER  
YOU'RE  
DONE?

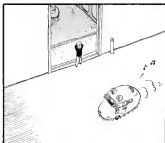
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SAKU.

YOU  
REALLY  
LOOK  
DOWN.



MITSU,  
ARE YOU  
GOING  
TO QUIT?

!



YEAH,  
WE WILL.

WE'LL  
BE DONE  
WITH  
THOSE  
WINDOWS  
SOON,  
RIGHT?



THEY  
HAD A  
NEW  
ROOM  
READY  
FOR ME.

THAT'S  
NOT WHAT  
HAPPENED.

Some  
sort of  
room I  
lived in.



NO,  
NO!

AH! DID  
THEY TEAR  
YOUR  
BUILDING  
DOWN?

AH

WHAT?!



THAT'S  
GOOD.

Yeah,  
yeah.

!!



OH...

OH, IS  
THAT SO?  
I DIDN'T  
KNOW  
THAT.



THEY'RE  
ONLY  
TEARING  
DOWN THE  
REALLY  
DANGEROUS  
BUILDINGS.

I FEEL  
LIKE I'VE  
BEEN  
SAVED.









...BUT IF WE  
DON'T DO  
OUR JOB,  
THE SYSTEM  
WOULD  
SLOWLY  
DECAY.



WE'RE  
SIMPLY  
CLEANING  
WINDOWS  
WHILE WE  
CLING TO  
THIS GIGAN-  
TIC RING...

I'M  
CLEANING  
WINDOWS  
TO SERVE  
THE  
PEOPLE  
BEHIND  
THEM.



BUT  
RIGHT NOW,  
CLEANING  
WINDOWS IS  
IMPORTANT  
TO ME.



If only  
I could  
ask  
him...

...IS  
CRUCIAL  
TO OUR  
SOCIETY.

THE WORK  
DONE BY  
LOWER-  
LEVEL  
RESIDENTS...



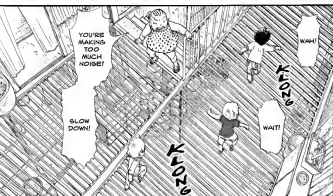
What  
did Dad  
think of  
this job?



...ENJOY  
CLEANING  
WINDOWS.

I REALLY  
DO...

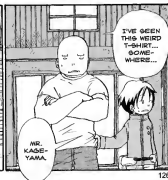
















YEAH, FUJIKI  
AND I USED  
TO BE IN  
THE GAME  
CLASS IN  
SCHOOL.

MR.  
KAGETAMA.  
YOU KNOW  
HIM?



I CAN'T  
BELIEVE  
HE'D COME  
DOWN TO  
THE LOWER  
LEVELS TO  
ADVERTISE  
THEM...



I SAW PILES  
OF THOSE  
T-SHIRTS AT  
HIS PLACE.

OH.



AH, HE  
LIVES  
ON THE  
UPPER  
LEVELS.

WHEN WE  
GRADUATED  
AND I  
BECAME  
A WINDOW  
WASHER, HE  
ASKED ME  
TO CLEAN  
HIS  
WINDOWS.



OH, FUJIKI.  
WELCOME  
HOME.

THIS  
IS MY  
PLACE.

TOX  
TOX  
TOX



COINS ARE REALLY DIRTY, AND YOU HANDLE THEM WITH YOUR BARE HANDS.

WE ONLY USE CARDS TO PAY FOR THINGS, SO I'D NEVER HANDLED CASH.

HMP!

LOWER LEVEL RESIDENTS ARE COOL.

WELL, I DIDN'T REALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT MONEY IS...

HOW'D YOU USE UP ALL YOUR MONEY?

...BECAUSE I ONLY SAW NUMBERS.

...WHEN I TOOK OVER MY FAMILY BUSINESS.

SO I RAN OUT OF MONEY...

EVERYONE'S LIKE KAGEYAMA. THEY'RE OPEN, AND WHEN THEY DON'T LIKE SOMETHING, THEY'RE HONEST.

I FEEL COMFORTABLE LIVING HERE.

...AND MY ACCOUNT WENT NEGATIVE.

I was shocked

...I LOST A LOT OF MONEY...

So many things

FIRE-PROOF AND HEAT-PROOF.

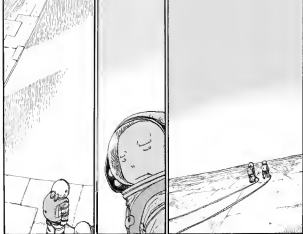
...BUT I WANTED TO MAKE INDESTRUCTIBLE CLOTHING.

THEY USED TO MAKE CLOTHING FOR ADULTS, AND THEY WERE DOING FINE...

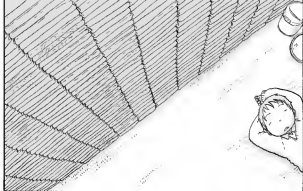
I DESIGNED THEM TOO, AND WHEN I MADE THEM...

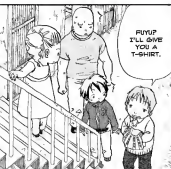














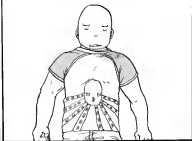


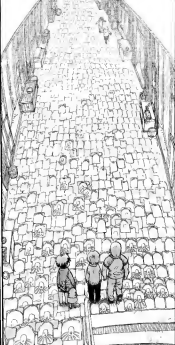


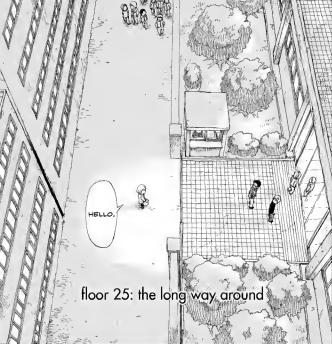








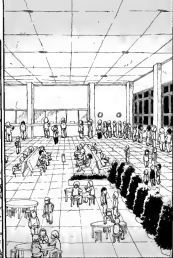






















BUT THE  
DIFFERENCE  
IN AIR  
PRESSURE  
WEARS YOU  
DOWN...

...SO  
PEOPLE  
ARE  
USUALLY  
WORN OUT  
WHEN  
THEY'RE  
HOME.



YOU CAN  
SLEEP  
BEFORE  
YOU  
START  
WORK.

SEVEN  
HOURS  
TO ADAPT  
TO AIR  
PRESSURE



...AND WHEN  
HE LEAVES  
FOR WORK  
AT NIGHT,  
HE DOESN'T  
COME BACK  
UNTIL NEXT  
EVENING.

AND WHEN  
HE'S HOME,  
HE DOES  
ALL THE  
HOUSEWORK.  
I WONDER  
WHEN HE  
GETS ANY  
SLEEP.



ONE  
OF OUR  
BROTHERS  
IS A  
WINDOW  
WASHER...



HE RAN  
WHILE  
HE WAS  
WORKING.  
WHAT THE  
HECK?!

AH, BUT  
HE WAS  
TIRED  
THE  
OTHER  
DAY.

IS  
THEIR  
BROTHER  
REALLY  
A  
WINDOW  
WASHER?



HE'S  
QUICK  
DOING  
ALL THE  
HOUSE-  
WORK.

HE  
DOESN'T  
LOOK  
TIRED.

BUT WE  
CAN TELL  
HE'S  
CRANKY.



THERE'RE  
TEN OF  
US.

HOW MANY  
SIBLINGS  
DO YOU HAVE?



YEAH,  
YEAH, HE  
CHANGED  
DIAPERS.

BUT WHEN HE  
CAME HOME, HE  
TOOK CARE OF  
OUR YOUNGEST  
BROTHER.

DIAPERS?





NOT  
EVERYONE  
CAN DO  
IT.

CLEANING  
WINDOWS  
IS A  
REWARDING  
JOB.



I WANT BIG  
BROTHER  
TO QUIT!

I'VE  
HEARD  
YOU GET  
EXPOSED  
TO  
HARMFUL  
RAYS.



THERE WAS  
SOMEONE I  
REALLY  
RESPECTED  
TOO...



GO THE  
NEXT TIME  
AROUND, THE  
WINDOWS  
ARE DIRTY IN  
DIFFERENT  
WAYS.

IF YOU  
CLEAN IT  
RIGHT, THE  
WINDOW  
STAYS  
CLEAN  
LONGER.

I LEARNED  
A LOT  
FROM MY  
JOB.



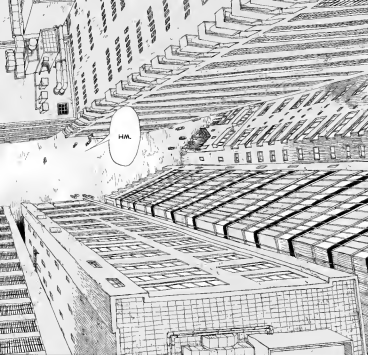
IT'S  
PROBABLY  
NAKOTO...



YEAH.

PLEASE,  
BIG  
BROTHER,  
WORK  
NEAR US!

DOES  
TAMACHI  
KNOW  
THIS BIG  
BROTHER?



FUYU, YOU  
GOT ANY  
CLUES?









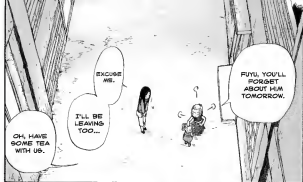


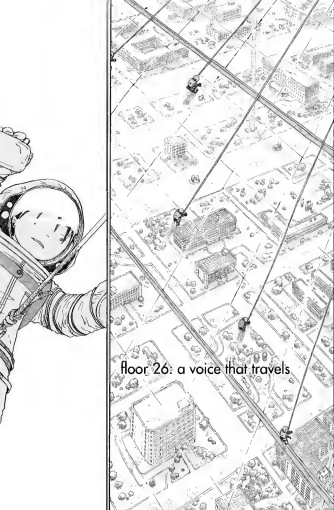






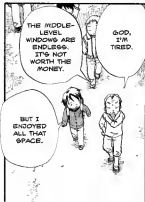






floor 26: a voice that travels







THEN SHOULD I  
SIMULATE THE  
DESCENT USING  
THE ATMO-  
SPHERIC DATA  
FROM THE  
SURFACE TO  
HERE?

WE CAN'T  
ACTUALLY  
EXPERIMENT,  
SO THINGS  
LIKE THIS  
ARE USEFUL.

LET'S USE  
THAT AS A  
MODEL.

I FOUND  
INFORMATION  
ABOUT A  
DEVICE THAT  
TURNED  
FROM SPACE  
A LONG TIME  
AGO.

YES.  
BUT THE  
SIMULATOR  
SOFTWARE  
IS NEW, SO I  
WONDER IF THE  
OLD DATA WILL  
WORK WITH IT.

OH.



HM?

I'M NOT  
GOING.

WHAT?

WHAT  
WOULD  
YOU LIKE  
TO DO  
WHEN YOU  
GO TO THE  
SURFACE?

MR.  
NISHI-  
MARU...



WOULD  
YOU LIKE  
TO GO  
FIRST?

NO, I WAS  
PLANNING  
TO BE  
ON THE  
SUPPORT  
STAFF.

SO WE'LL  
HAVE  
SOME-  
ONE  
YOUNG  
AND  
HEALTHY  
GO  
FIRST...

WE DON'T  
KNOW  
WHAT WILL  
HAPPEN,  
SO WE  
NEED TO  
SUPPORT  
HIM FROM  
HERE.

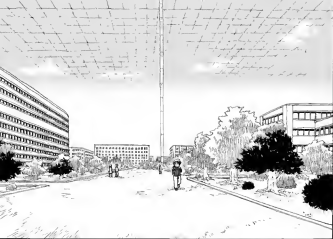
...AND  
THEN  
EVENTUALLY,  
I'D LIKE  
TO GO AS  
WELL...

NO, WE  
SHOULD  
HAVE A  
PROFES-  
SIONAL  
GO FIRST.

YOU'RE  
NOT  
PLANNING  
ON GOING  
DOWN  
THERE?!

You said  
you'd like  
to see it  
with your  
own eyes!











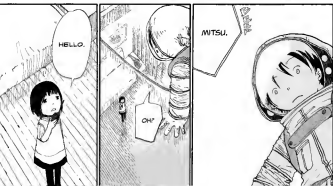
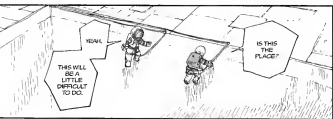


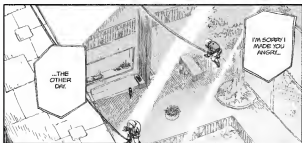


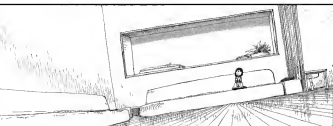


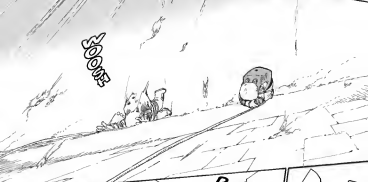


















...just to  
clean my  
windows.

They're  
risking  
their  
lives...



It's a  
hard  
job.  
But...

MITSU, YOU  
SHOULD'VE  
WARNED  
HIM.



I  
THOUGHT  
I WAS  
GONNA  
DIE!

ARE  
YOU ALL  
RIGHT?

JINI  
MITSU!

...I  
WONDER  
WHY HE  
SEEMS TO  
BE HAVING  
SO MUCH  
FUN.





SEE  
YOU!



MITSU, TELL  
ME WHEN YOU  
REALLY WANT  
TO DESCEND  
TO THE  
EARTH'S  
SURFACE.



Descend  
to earth?



That's  
not  
possible.

WHAT A  
JOKE...





in the loft

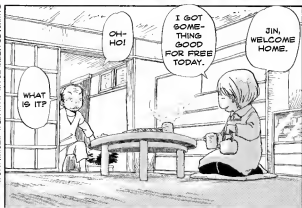
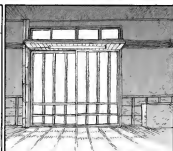


PHEW.  
I'M  
TIRED  
TODAY.









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